

Discussion Notes      213-02

5.1 #13     $\left\{ 1, -\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{5}, -\frac{1}{7}, \dots \right\}$      $a_n = f(n)$

$\begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ n=1 \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ n=2 \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ n=3 \end{matrix}$

$\left\{ (-1)^n \right\} \neq \left\{ (-1)^1, (-1)^2, (-1)^3, \dots \right\}$      $\begin{matrix} \nearrow \text{alternating sign} \\ +/- \\ \text{OR} \\ -/+ \end{matrix}$

$$= \left\{ -1, 1, -1, 1, \dots \right\}$$

$\left\{ (-1) \cdot (-1)^n \right\}$   
 $= \left\{ (-1)^{n+1} \right\} \left\{ 1, -1, 1, -1, \dots \right\} = \left\{ (-1)^{n-1} \right\}$

\*  $(-1)^{n-1} = (-1)^{1-1}, (-1)^{2-1}, \dots$   
 $= 1, -1, \dots$

denom:  $+2n$

$$2n+a = 1 \quad (n=1)$$

$$2(1)+a = 1$$

$$a = 1-2 = -1$$

denom:  $2n-1 = \begin{matrix} 1 & , & 3 & , & 5 & \dots \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ n=1 & & n=2 & & n=3 \end{matrix}$

Multiply together:

$$a_n = \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{2n-1}$$

$$\frac{1}{2(1)-1} = 1 \quad \frac{(-1)^1}{4-1} = \frac{-1}{3} \quad \frac{(-1)^{3-1}}{6-1} = \frac{1}{5}$$

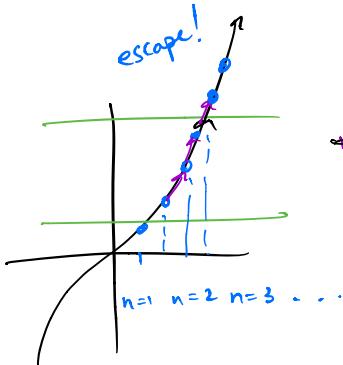
$\begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ n=1 \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ n=2 \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ n=3 \end{matrix}$

odd #s:  $2k+1, 2k-1 \dots$

Review last time

$$a_n = n^3 = f(n)$$

$$f(x) = x^3$$



Questions

81	$\frac{n}{2^n}$
✓ 32	$\tan(n)$
49	$a_n = n^3$
	$(1 - \frac{2}{n})^n$

bounded? NO.  $\rightarrow$  DIVERGENT

monotone? YES. it is monotone increasing.

(a convergent sequence must be bounded)

#31  $a_n = \frac{n}{2^n}$

Idea if  $a_n = f(n)$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = L$  then  
 $a_n \rightarrow L$ .

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{2^x}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{2^x} \quad \frac{\infty}{\infty}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{LH}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{d}{dx}[x]}{\frac{d}{dx}[2^x]}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^x \cdot \ln 2} \quad \frac{1}{\infty} \\ &= [0] \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } a_n \rightarrow 0.$$

$x \ll 2^x$  growth rates

$\log \ll \text{polynomial} \ll \exp$

can also use : bounded monotone sequences converge.

$$\text{Ex} \quad a_n = \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^n$$

$$f(x) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right)^x = y$$

$$\ln \left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right)^x = \ln y$$

$\times \quad \ln \left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right) = \ln y \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty$

"  $\infty - \ln(1)$ "

"  $\infty - 0$ "

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right)^x$$

$$\left(1 - 0\right)^{\infty} = 1^{\infty}$$

indeterminate

$$\frac{0}{0} \quad \frac{\ln \left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right)}{\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)} = \ln y$$

$\equiv$

Now can apply LH to  $\ln y$ :

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right)}{\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)}$$

$\frac{0}{0} \leftarrow \ln \left(1 - \frac{1}{\infty}\right) = \ln(1 - 0) = 0$

$\leftarrow \frac{1}{\infty}$

$$\stackrel{\text{LH}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{d}{dx} [\ln \left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right)]}{\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{1}{x}\right]}$$

#49: you have 2

$$\stackrel{\text{LH}}{=} \frac{\frac{d}{dx} \left[1 - \frac{1}{x}\right]}{\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{1}{x}\right]} = \frac{0}{-\frac{1}{x^2}}$$

#49: it's 2

$$\stackrel{\text{LH}}{=} \frac{\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{x}} - \left(-\frac{1}{x^2}\right)}{\left(-\frac{1}{x^2}\right)}$$

$$\frac{\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{\infty}} - \left(-\frac{1}{\infty^2}\right)}{\left(-\frac{1}{\infty^2}\right)} = \frac{1}{1} = 1$$

$$\stackrel{\text{LH}}{=} \frac{-\frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{x}}}{\left(-\frac{1}{x^2}\right)} = \frac{-1}{1} = -1$$

look for  $e^{-2}!!$

$$e^{-1} = e^{\ln y} = y \quad \text{limit is } \boxed{\frac{1}{e}}$$

Maybe you have done  $(1 + \frac{1}{n})^n \rightarrow e$

Use this strategy on #49.

#49  $\ln(x^3) = 3 \cdot \ln x = \frac{\ln x}{(\frac{1}{3})}$  ratio!

Further Questions

$$y = (1 - \frac{1}{x})^x$$

want:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} y$

got:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \ln y = -1$

raise by  $e$ :

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^{\ln y} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} y = e^{-1}$$

Qo  $\frac{d}{dx} \ln \left( 1 - \frac{1}{x} \right) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{u}}_{\text{outside}} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{u'}{x}}_{\text{inside}}$  chain Rule.

$$\frac{d}{dx} \ln x = \frac{1}{x}$$